



## Tupelo Major Thoroughfare Program Minutes November 9, 2015

Members present: Hudson Bryan, Ken Burton, Eddie Carnathan, Bill Cleveland, Gunnér Goad, C W Jackson, Stuart Johnson, Ernie Joyner, J D Moore, Jamie Osbirn, Greg Pirkle, Kay Trapp, Wesley Webb, Betty Wood

Members not present: Jeffery Gladney, Theodore Roach, Drew Robertson

Others in attendance: John Crawley, Renee Newton, Buddy Palmer, Travis Beard, Lynn Bryan, Chuck Williams, Don Lewis, Kim Hanna, Johnny Timmons, John White, Shane Hooper, Leesha Faulkner

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Greg Pirkle.

Mr. Pirkle asked the Committee to review and approve the minutes of the October 12, 2015, Major Thoroughfare Program meeting. With no discussion, minutes were approved unanimously.

Kim Hanna presented the Major Thoroughfare Phase V Budget Report for the period ending October 31, 2015, the first month of the new fiscal year. Beginning cash balance was \$2,192,967. Revenue from Interest Earned totaled \$219. Actual Expenditures totaled \$10,930 with payments for Personnel Cost. Ending cash balance was \$2,182,796. The South Thomas Street/Hwy 6 Interchange project is expected to go to bid before next MTP election with \$1.4 million in the MTP budget. The Committee will need to submit resolution for approval for the City to pay for over-runs on the project if MTP funds run out.

John Crawley gave updates on the current projects.

### SOUTH GLOSTER STREET

The contractor (APAC) was released of maintenance effective November 19, 2014. Final paperwork has been submitted to MDOT and awaiting their approval. The City is expected to receive approximately \$86,000 back from MDOT on the South Gloster Project.

### NATCHEZ TRACE BRIDGE

Contractor is to replant dead landscaping and repair washes in slope. John White stated that he has not heard anything from the Contractor since last month.

### EAST MAIN STREET (GREEN STREET TO VETERANS)

This is the only project under construction at this time. Bridge crews have returned to project and are progressing on bridge construction. Contractor has completed sidewalk and rail on north side of Bridge B, placed asphalt for Bridge B approaches and is currently

working on switching traffic over to north side of Bridge B so that work may begin on south side of the bridge. Contractor is also currently working on substructure and placement of beams for south side of Bridge C. Contractor is nearing completion of the north side of Main Street in Downtown section between Green Street and Front Street. Still awaiting installation of landscaping items in this section. Based on Progress Estimate for work completed in the month of October the Contractor is 55% complete after using 63% of the contract time.

### THOMAS STREET / HWY 6 INTERCHANGE

Plan preparation is still continuing. Still awaiting appraisal from DES, LLC so that acquisition of right of way can proceed. Property owner does not seem to be in a hurry to get it done. The large tract of land required for the project has been deeded to the City of Tupelo.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

All members are invited to attend the Council Work Session Tuesday at 4:00 pm when Greg Pirkle will present the Transportation Plan to the Council and Administration.

John Crawley presented maps and spreadsheet of City Streets by classification used for maintenance. This information is to help the Committee make recommendations based on the Transportation Plans.

Greg Pirkle stated that the Committee will look at recommendations from two views, and has assigned members to two Sub-Committees. The Streets Sub-Committee will determine which streets will be recommended for Phase VI of MTP projects. Phase VI will go to public vote in 2016. The Maintenance Sub-Committee will identify which of the previous MTP project streets have the highest maintenance needs what percentage of funds to be applied. The recommendations of the Sub-Committees need to be presented to the City Council in January for approval.

Maintenance Sub-Committee: Hudson Bryan, Ken Burton, Gunner Goad, J D Moore, Jamie Osborn, Ted Roach, Kay Trapp (Chair), and Wesley Webb

Streets Sub-Committee: Eddie Carnathan, Bill Cleveland, Jeffrey Gladney, C W Jackson, Stuart Johnson, Ernie Joyner (Chair), Drew Robertson, and Betty Wood

Mr. Eddie Carnathan announced that he will be moving to Saltillo. He will continue to serve until the end of December, with resignation effective January 1, 2016. Mr. Carnathan stated that he appreciates all that serve on the Committee, and thanked Councilman Palmer for allowing him to serve. He also stated it has been a pleasure to work with the Committee and City leaders. Mr. Pirkle thanked Mr. Carnathan for his service, and expressed disappointment at his departure from the Committee. Mr. Carnathan will be greatly missed.

With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned.

  
Chairman Greg Pirkle

  
Submitted by Renee Newton